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For : CONDITIONAL ACCESS SYSTEM FOR DIGITAL
RECEIVERS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In the US national phase application of PCT/US98/26029 filed herewith,
please enter the following amendments:

Please amend the claims as follows:

In the Claims

1. (AMENDED) A method for managing access to a signal representative of an event of a service provider, said method comprising:
- (a) receiving said signal in a smart card, said signal being scrambled using a scrambling key;
 - (b) receiving, in said smart card, data representative of a first seed value; characterized in that
 - (c) generating said scrambling key using said first seed value received in said smart card and a second seed value, said second seed value being permanently stored [pre-stored] in said smart card; and
 - (d) descrambling, in said smart card, said signal using said generated scrambling key to provide a descrambled signal.

5. (AMENDED) [In combination in a] A system for managing access between a service provider and a device having a smart card coupled thereto, said device performing the steps of: